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Sharing so you will know what topics are of interested to the public, or at least this journalist, right now.

Thank you,

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From: Carey, Curtis
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:58 PM
To: Brooks, Karl; Hague, Mark; Slugantz, Lynn
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FYI, Emshwiller is asking to interview someone at HQ on the EPA's "Preliminary Remediation Guidelines for radionuclides." I have shared with Liz the two articles Emshwiller published (attached) last year on the St. Louis landfill.

From: Purchia, Liz
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A WSJ Senior Special Writer John Emshwiller is looking for us to get back to him later this week for a story he's doing on nuclear waste cleanup guidelines that were updated in 2014. George is going to connect with OSWER to see how best we can respond. I'm also going to reach out to David Gray. He hasn't reached out to any other federal agencies yet.

He said there isn't a particular issue that prompted him to write, but he wrote a series of stories in 2013 on the legacy of atomic weapons and heard about our update and became interested in writing something.

So from us he's asking for info on:

Revisions since the last guidelines

Are there different contamination level guidelines?

What's the most allowable risk range?

These guidelines seem dramatically different from what they'd been, why?

What implications does this have for the dozens of cleanups already going on? Including those with DOE, Army Corp?

Are the guidelines retroactive?

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From: Allen, Laura

Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:32 PM

To: Purchia, Liz; Lee, Monica

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Sounds like an OSWER thing but I am not familiar with it at all.

I can ask George to connect with OSWER and get us some info.

From: Purchia, Liz

Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:28 PM

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Are either of you familiar with this issue?

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Christie,

Thanks. I look forward to hearing back from George.

Regards,

John

From: StClair, Christie [<mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov>]
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To: Emshwiller, John
Cc: Hull, George; Purchia, Liz
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Hi John,

Thanks for your email. My colleague George Hull can help you with this.

Thanks,

Christie

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Christie,

In connection with a story I am working on, I would like to talk with someone at the EPA as soon as possible, hopefully within the next couple of days, regarding the Preliminary Remediation Guidelines for radionuclides. I understand that those PRGs were revised late last year and in a number instances made significantly stricter. I'd like to talk with an EPA official about the reasons for the changes and what implications they might have for ongoing clean-ups of sites with radioactive contamination as well as the possible implications for sites where clean-ups have been completed.

Thanks and regards,

John

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